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AMERICAN. You've been a right
decent sort of year, after all.

Suppose our streets had not been
put in shape by a business admira-
tion?

Some consolation in the
thought that this is mighty sal-
vation for the truck grower.

The 1909-hotel steamship has been
announced. Just right to fit along to
the Corpus Christi touring basin.

The smoke of the dredges may be
seen on the far horizon, and that 12-
foot channel is right behind the
smoke.

Let this paving task resolve itself
into a determined mass disease. Take
pave the way but do not pave the
streets.

Reyes assumes all responsibility
for his so-called incarceration. And his
friends are generous enough not to
contend otherwise.

Narrow shirts find difficulty in
negotiating muddy crossings. The
present style was probably conceived
of Paris on a sunny day.

Those Corpus Christi "mimes" take all
sorts of gags from the scene.
As a matter of common
sense they should simply
stop spelling.

Brownsville prepares for a big winter fair. The Lower Rio Grande
in this instance sets a pace that Nueces
county might follow to excellent
advantage—weather permitting.

These New Year resolutions should
be pruned 50 per cent. Just before
going into effect. An additional 10
per cent should be subtracted from
the net result as a tribute to the va-
riety of human natures.

Mrs. Rachal Marcus recently cele-
brated her 10th birthday in New
York City. Mrs. Marcus was evi-
dently born before the short, swift
Gotham life became the recognized
certificate to social distinction.

Miss Mary Garden says: "I can
feel something come over me every
time I dream for a part." A con-
temporary suggests that Miss Garden is
possessed of an abnormal sense of
touch.

Russia proposes a 10% per cent
tariff on American agricultural ma-
chinery. With the rapid conversion
of South Texas into record-breaking
farms, the American manufacturer
finds a more accessible market right
here at home.

Prof. W. G. Bateman of the Im-
perial U. of C., Tien Tsin, states that
a republican form of government in
China would mean endless calamity.
He urges an "enlightened despotism."
The people of Corpus Christi feel that
Prof. Bateman should make a per-
sonal guarantee of "enlightened," as
the desiderata of a man of despotism
has the pure for a republicanism
beaten to ways.

**The Year's
Progress**

WITH EXCHANGES

1911-1912

McLemore's Budget.

Corpus Christi faces the new
year with brighter prospects for
continued growth and prosperity
than at any time since the inci-
pient of the Rose's boom, during the
early 90's. While there are prob-
lems to be solved, they are not more
reactions or discouraging than
those which confront all large
towns as they enter the precincts
of cityhood.

Among notable achievements of
the past twelve months—and there
have been many—none surpass the
record made in hotel building.
Time out of memory Corpus has
had "natural" advantages
with emphasis on the natural
sea and soil. The city consistently
refused to lend artificial aid to
Providence.

Early during the present year
the tide turned. Col. Joe T. Dick-
inson, who had long cherished the
idea of erecting a modern tourist
hotel north of the city, put in his
appearance and successfully pro-
moted the Beach hotel, a handsome
structure that will be thrown open
to tourists during February.

A little later, realizing the fact
that Corpus Christi's greatest
measure of prosperity lay in fur-
thering its resources as a resort,
business men conceived the idea
of erecting a magnificent hotel in
the heart of the commercial dis-
trict, facing the bay. The Nueces
hotel, now in course of construc-
tion, will stand as a striking mon-
ument to their foresight.

The campaign leading to the
erection of the latter hotel was
marked by brilliant work upon the
part of a few men, and marks an
epoch in the history of the city's
progress. After this, when a proj-
ect of seemingly hopeless magis-
tracy presents itself to the people,
their slogan will be, "Remember
the Nueces."

Put the hotels, meaning as much
as they do to our renown as a tour-
ist center, fall far short of telling
the wonderful tale of progress.
During the year, eighteen miles of
water mains were laid; a sewer
system was installed, with work
well advanced on sewers to serve
the residence portion of town; and
new buildings were erected at a
total approximate cost of \$500,000,
not including the amount being ex-
pended on the Nueces hotel. Nor
is the splendid high school com-
pleted last May at a cost of \$75,
000, included in the year's esti-
mate.

Another striking indication of
the manner in which our citizens
have disposed of their reputation
for lethargy is afforded by the
bold issue record for permanent
improvements. During the year,
\$50,000 were voted for the purpose
of constructing a municipal wharf;
\$50,000 for the purchase of school
sites; and \$55,000 for building a
modern city hall to take the place
of the dilapidated excuse now
warping the title.

In order to draw all sources of
prosperity to a focus, 1912 must
be devoted to a campaign for rail-
roads and paved streets. Both are
badly-needed. The railroads to
furnish tonnage for the 12-foot
channel now a stone's throw across
the harbor. The paved streets for
the convenience of home people
and the encouragement of tourists
who will flock to our many hotels.

The signs are encouraging.
Nineteen hundred and twelve ought
to be, by every right of
ancestry, the greatest year in the
history of our city. There's no use
in croaking or shirking the issue.
Our battles must be waged along
clean lines, with constant advance
as the bugle call. There's nothing to
do but work and work hard.
Work tirelessly and unitedly.

And then Corpus Christi will
measure up to the standard of our
highest ambitions, the fairest sea-
side resort in Texas and the com-
mercial center of the richest agri-
cultural region in the United
States.

If it keeps on raining, we'll have
that 25 feet of water alongside our
Corpus Christi docks without govern-
mental aid.

To My Friends and Customers.
I take this opportunity to extend
to my friends and many customers
in Corpus Christi and surrounding
country my most sincere thanks for
their liberal trade extended to me
during the year 1911, at the same
time soliciting a continuation of the
same for the year 1912.

Wishing one and all a most happy
and prosperous new year, I remain
yours for good roads and paved
streets.

R. G. BLOSSMAN.

To Our Friends and Customers.

We wish to return our hearty
thanks to our many friends and cus-
tomers in city and country for their
kind patronage during the year now
drawing to a close, soliciting at the
same time a continuation of the
same for the year 1912.

Wishing every one a happy and
prosperous new year, we remain
yours for good roads and paved
streets.

NOAKES BROS.

To My Many Customers.

I desire to express my grateful
thanks to my many customers and
friends for their generous patronage
during the year 1911, soliciting a
continuation of the same during the
coming year of 1912, at the same
time promising them the best goods
for the money.

Wishing one and all a happy and
prosperous new year, I remain yours
for good roads and streets.

JOHN JORDT.

To Our Friends and Patrons.

We desire to extend our many
thanks to all those who have favored us
with their trade during the year
1911 now drawing to a close, trusting
we will receive a continuation of the
same liberal patronage during the
year 1912, for which we promise
prompt and courteous service. With
best wishes to all our friends for a
prosperous new year, we remain
yours for good roads.

ROBIN & CAMPBELL.

"He Takes the Cake."

I desire to extend thanks to all
those who have favored us with
their kind patronage during the past
year of 1911. With best wishes for
another prosperous new year to all
and hoping to receive a continuation
of the same liberal patronage as
heretofore. Pledging the best
affords of my restaurant, I
remain yours for good roads, also
paved streets. In the business part
of the city.

JOHN HULL.

To Our Friends and Customers.

I desire to thank all those who
have favored us with their patronage
during the past year, wishing them
the greatest prosperity in 1912.

Hoping to receive a continuation
of the liberal patronage in future as
in the past, I remain, as ever, yours
for good business, good roads and
good roads.

G. L. HEATH.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank our friends and
customers for their very kind patronage
extended us in the past, wishing
for a continuation of same in
1912, as well as the greatest pros-
perity to one and all.

Yours for good roads and good
streets.

PEOPLES MEAT MARKET.

A Happy New Year.

We wish our many friends and
customers a happy and prosperous
new year and earnestly solicit your
patronage during 1912.

R. H. RINGHAM.

The Old Reliable Druggist.

Card of Thanks.

To our many friends and custom-
ers we desire to express hearty
thanks for their generous patronage
received during the year 1911. With
best wishes for another prosperous
year and hoping to receive our share
of business in 1912, we remain yours
for Greater Corpus Christi.

FRIDAY BROS.

To Our Friends and Customers.

We desire to express our grateful
thanks to our friends and customers
for their liberal patronage extended
to us during the year 1911, hoping to
receive a continuation of same in the
future. With best wishes to all our
customers for a prosperous 1912, we
remain yours, yours truly,

CITY DRUG STORE.

Bunge Croxley Butter, Inc. We
refused purchase price if not satisfied.
Phone 572. Martin Tea & Coffee Co.
1221 24

Model's 25 per cent discount sale
starts Jan 2nd; closes Jan 26th.
1221 24

Notice to Tax Payers.

Note is hereby given that the
area due the State of Texas and
County of Nueces for the year 1911
are due now and payable at my of-
fice in the Court House at Corpus
Christi, Texas. Taxes must be paid
or before the 21st day of Jan-
uary 1912, or ten per cent penalty
will be added. On account of the
time required for mailing each re-
ceipt by the regulations made by the
comptroller, it will be necessary for
you to pay your taxes as soon as
possible, otherwise you may not be
able to pay same and receive your
receipt before the penalty attaches.

E. R. OLIVER.

Tax Collector, Nueces County, Texas.

1221 24

The Parcels Rate.

Fort Worth Record:
The United States and Great Britain
have recently concluded an ar-
rangement for carrying parcels be-
tween the two countries, by the
terms of which one can send a seven-
pound parcel by mail from San Fran-
cisco across the United States, across
the Atlantic to London, via New York,
for less money than is required to
send a four-pound parcel from New
York to Philadelphia by mail or ex-
press. Does not that look like a pre-
posterous comparison?

Corpus Beach Hotel and Land Company

Announces that the few remaining beautiful beach lots in the

Corpus Beach Hotel Addition

will be sold from now until the Corpus Beach Hotel opens on the first of next February at \$1500 cash or the installment plan. \$100 cash and \$100 per month for six months with 10 per cent interest on deferred payments, or for \$100 cash.

After the hotel is opened the price of these lots will be One Thousand Dollars each. If any of the lots remain unsold at that time.

For further particulars inquire at office of company, Room 5, C. C. National Bank Building, Phone 889.

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